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CHILDREN OF LIGHT.

This is a beautiful name for Christians, followers of Him who is the Light of the world. Light is a symbol of purity and truth, radiant service and beauty. There was no stain in Jesus, but His transparent character was pure as the driven snow or as the unsullied light of the sun or as the holiness of God. He was the truth and could no more deceive than the sun can tell a lie. He was radiant in service, gracious words proceeding from His mouth and healnig works flowing from His hands. He went about doing good and was as opulent in mercy and love as the sun is generous and prodigal in fertilizing warmth. And all His characteristics of mind and heart and life blent into beauty, as a sunbeam contains all the beauty of the rainbow or the blooming garden.

Activity and serenity, power and patience were strangely united in Him, as a sunbeam is at once a stream of intense vibration and energy and of the stillest peace. He was Himself a Son of Light, the express image of God and the brightness of His person. We become children of light by being born of His Spirit and fashioned into His likeness. The darknes of the old nature of sin still swathes us and often stains us deeply.

Every atom of the old nature, selfishness, and pride, and passion, should be expelled from us, and we should be so fashioned into affinity with Christ that His light will kindle us and shine in and through us. Then we shall no longer be dim and dusky figures, faint images of Jesus, but shall be transparent with His Spirit and radiant with His goodness. We shall cast no shadows on our human kind, but our presence will shed light and guidance, healing and good cheer. We shall be strong and calm with serenity and peace, poise and power. If Christians more fully attained and filled out this beautiful name and ideal, they would have more warmth and joy, the world would not be so dark, and Christ Himself would be seen as the Light of the World.—The Examiner.

ORGAN OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

EDITORIAL.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.—Matt. 6:10.

God could have made all men and women good; but He didn't. He has the power to wipe out every stain of sin and blot of evil from all the earth at one fell stroke; but He does not employ His power to that end. He has the divine right, and the pure prerogative, to reach out His hand and pull down to their ruin every saloon and house of shame in the world; but He does not use His prerogative after that manner. In the twinkling of a neye He can change this world of crime and misery, of sin and shame, of suffering and death, into a paradise of peace and a place of perennial joy, health and plenty. He may do so some time, but eH has not seen fit to do so yet.

This is not the nature of the Kingdom of God, nor is it in keeping with what we know of the character and conduct of God.

Whatever else is essential in God's kingdom, this one thing we do know full well to be an essential, namely, growth, development, progress. Every parable in the Book that essays to teach us about the kingdom has this, as its principle, its fundamental idea, growth, development, permeation. It is ever more the lesson of the sower, the parable of the seed, the idea of the leaven—matters of small beginning, growing, permeating till the manifestations of great power are apparent.

The divine heart evidetnly revels in the growth of things. All divine energy seems to be conserved for this purpose and directed to this end. The world as we see it now, in the freshness of its green life, and the fullness of its harvest fields, and the greatness of its growing forests, has grown to what it is from small seeds, from meager beginnings.

The great people we know had small and insignificant beginnings. The mighty institutiions were once small and of little weight. God delights in growth. It is a joy, an essential to the divine thought. There is joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth more than over ninety-and nine that needeth no repentance. For the reason that repentance is a seed sown that will grow. The angels of God watch for growth and take delight therein.

Now our life is a joy to the angels, and a source of delight to the divine mind, only as long as, and when, there is growth. Not the completed, not the finished, not the perfected life attracts the eye of Heaven and sends the gleam of joy beyond the stars; but the growing, developing, advancing, penetrating life. The kingdom of God implies growth. And when we pray for the kingdom to come we mean that we want to grow, and we want others to grow.

We shall not be discouraged because we are small. We shall not despair because we are insignificant. We shall not give up because our efforts are meager. But we shall hang our heads in shame, and live in dread of God's displeasure, when and because we cease to grow, develop, permeate.

THE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

How the Account Stands.

We have yet to find the first individual who has said that the Convention acted hastily or indiscreetly in deciding to establish a Publishnig House. And all everywhere seem to be agreed that the Board appointed acted wisely in recommending, and the Executive Committee prudently in approving, the organization of a stock company, through whom the House is to be erected, equipped and developed. The only condemnation we have heard from any source is that we have waited so very long to do this good thing. From all sides comes the enquiry, Why have we waited, hesitated these years to do a thing so necessary, so absolutely essential, so fraught with promise and power, to our own welfare, progress, development and success? The strange thing is, not that we have begun to move to establish a Publishing House, but that we have been content to wait forty years and more without one.

And so we have not been "turned down" by a single business man we have talked to about subscribing for stock. Men of means and business judgment and desire for growth and development readily and gladly subscribe for the stock. We have not had opportunity of soliciting to any considerable extent, being out only two days last week and then with some other duties to attend to, yet the subscriptions increase and multiply.

Amount reported last week $1,550.00

Reported since last week:

M. A. Atkinson	1 share	50.00
J. C. McAdams	1 share	50.00
K. B. Johnson	2 shares	100.00
J. A. Mills	2 shares	100.00
W. B. Mann	2 shares	100.00
J. Beale Johnson	5 shares	250.00
J. L. Sorrell	1 share	50.00
Joe M. Stout	1 share	50.00
J. T. Hobby	1 share	50.00
S. M. Hobby	1 share	50.00
S. C. Hobby	1 share	50.00
W. Z. Atkinson	4 shares	200.00
		$2,650.00

The stock is sold at $50 the share, par value. One-half the amount is payable on call when $5,000 has been subscribed; when another $5,000 has been subscribed one-half of that is payable on call. Then in six months from time of the first payment, the second and final payment will be due on call. It is hoped to make the first call and begin the building, about a $2,000 brick structure, single story, large floor space, by September 1st and to install th eplant by Jan. 1st, 1913. To this end we solicit the confidence and co-operation of all friends of a noble and worthy undertaking.

THE CHURCH'S BURDEN.

The church has not yet finished its task. In fact its problems become more complex, and its burdens heavier, with the passing years. Every new discovery, every invention of man, makes more trying the task, more onerous the burden of the church. The steam engine makes it possible for the preacher to go further and do more than he could possibly do without this device. Yet the same steam engine brings to the church the question of Sunday trains and enforces anew the thought and fact of Sabbath desecration.

We have multiplied our health- and open-air resorts, and the cry everywhere is to "stay in the open." Heeding the cry, many think it their religious duty to flee to the open country or the fresh, free park on Sunday and so stay away from church. Another problem for the church: How shall the tide be turned from the resort and the park to the place or worship on the Sabbath?

By improvement in machinery and intelligent industry, leisure has increased and play is more plentiful now than formerly. The spirit of athletics, of friendly rivalry in sports, of contest of skill on ball ground and golf link, is in the air. This spirit will not down and out by a pronunciamento from the church. The day of decrees and denunciation is done. Here is a problem. It is another problem for the church to grapple with. The church college in particular must deal with, and in some way, handle the athletic problem. And a problem is for solution; not a mere proposition to be wiped off the slate.

One of the great inventions of the age is the automobile. A man can take his car and his family and spend a merry Sabbath on the road, away from business and church and worship. He can get a certain rest and recreation for himself and family; but the church is ignored,

as the car speeds by to anticipated pleasure and needed rest. The automobile has created a new problem for the church, added to the burden of the manifold tasks that already awaited solution.

There never was a time when the church had such burdens, was confronted with such problems, must needs answer so many perplexing questions as confront it today. And they are problems whose solution easily challenges the bravest hearts and the most brilliant minds. In its struggles to bear the world's burdens and do the world's work in a rightful way the church needs you, and every consecrated heart and willing hand that will pray and pull.

FLOWERS ON THE SEA.

On May 12, 1912, Mrs. J. H. Loring, of London, arrived in New York on the Carmania. Mrs. Loring had lost her husband in the sinking of the Titanic, and she made this trip across the Atlantic that she might pay a tribute of respect to the one she loved. Accordingly, when the Carmania arrived at latitude 41 degrees 16 minutes and longitude 50 degrees 14 minutes, the nearest position to where the Titanic sank, the Captain escorted Mrs. Loring to the bridge of the Carmania and she scattered great quantities of beautiful flowers upon the surface of the sea. Five hundred passengers gathered on the decks, and with uncovered head, many with weeping hearts, witnessed this sweet, solemn token of love on the part of the widow, to her departed dead.

Only a notion you say, only a sentiment, this of a woman's crossing the Atlantic, going on a long, costly and perilous journey to do this single, simple deed of love. And yet the world is better, and the human heart is deemed of more worth and merit, just because of such sentiments and tokens of love as this.

A noble, a divine sentiment was behind the deed, and that lifts the heart of an individual from the dust and carries it beyond the stars and to heaven. The kingdom of heaven is more than meat and drink and paltry, perishing things. The kingdom of heaven is of righteousness and purity and peace. We weep with Mrs. Loring and glorify her noble deed.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

More Liquor.

The daily press recently gave the following:

"Statistics covering the production of distilled liquors in the United States in 1911 show the aggregate output to have been 175,402,395 gallons, compared with 163,893,900 gallons in 1910, 153,259,378 gallons in 1905 and 109,245,187 in 1900. Compared with the output of 1910, last year's figures show a gain of more than 11,500,000 gallons. In addition to the domestic production, 3,674,350 gallons of spirits and 6,732,823 gallons of wine were imported during the year ending December 31, 1911.

"Fermented liquors produced in 1910 totaled 59,544,775 barrels, against 49,522,029 in 1905, and 39,471,593 in 1900."

Which signifies an increase, rather than any decrease, in the use of spirituous liquors. And this, too, in the face of the growing sentiment in favor of prohibition and local option. But it in no wise argues against these measures, nor their furtherance. Two other considerations must be taken into account before such an argument could hold. First, what would have been the increase had there not been agitation and growth in prohibition sentiment and territory? Bear in mind that our age increases in the use of all luxuries, indulgencies and extravagant expenditures. We have multiplied our expenditure for the necessities of life: we have more than multiplied expenditure for the luxuries and extravagancies of life, naturally, for liquor among that number. Unless there had been increased agitation against liquor, and an ever-growing terirtory where its legitimate sale is allowed, there is every valid reason for believing that the increase in consumption of liquors would have been far greater than it is.

Secondly: When the sons of God go forth to war the Devil's agents and cohorts get very busy. Saloons and saloon men, liquor manufacturers and dealers were never so aggressive, insidious and desperate as today. All sorts of devices are invented and used to overcome the influences that make for temperance and to induce men and women, boys and girls to buy and use liquor.

Those who desire temperance, sobriety and truth to prevail yet have a great task before them.

The Last Debt.

So far as we are concerned we do not think it adds to the credit, or the glory of John Jacob Astor, deceased, that the last debt he paid was a dollar which is now to be used in helping to build a memorial at Washington to the victims of the Titanic. Mrs. Archibald Forbes, a New York society woman, is the woman to whom Col. Astor paid the dollar and she now sends it on to the Memorial Fund. Mrs. Forbes relates that when the party at cards broke up, of which party she and Col. Astor were members, on the fatal Sunday night of the Titanic's going down, it was found that on the last game she had won and the balance of one dollar was due her, on gambling at bridge, by Astor. He handed over a dollar bill, which was the last debt he ever paid, for shortly thereafter the ill-fated ship went down and with it Col. Astor. We say it adds nothing, in our estimation, either to the glory of Astor, or the fame of the Memorial that this dollar with its story comes to light. Gambling on a Sunday night was not such an occupation as one would naturally choose as a close to this mortal career.

The Desert Smiles.

Great feats in civil engineering in this country have become so frequent and numerous that they have well-nigh ceased to attract attention. But recently one has been accomplished in Utah so significant and typical that it is worth reading about. A tunnel four miles in length piercing the Wasatch Mountains of Utah has been completed. The United States Reclamation Service conducted the work, not to build a railroad through, but to divert the course of a river. By means of this tunnel, one of the most difficult ever undertaken, the Strawberry River will be diverted from a basin where it was not needed to another drainage forty-five miles away. By the turning of this river from the Colorado, into and through the Utah Valley more than 60,000 acres will be transformed and more than one thousand farm homes will be provided for. The products of this valley, heretofore uncertain and insignificant, will become important in the commerce of a State and add considerably to the world's food supply. Man's pick-axe sounds, the great mountain yields, and the valley smiles.

War Costs.

To get the cost of war, pensions must be reckoned, and this you can't well do. Last year the pension roll of the United States government for the Civil War lost 28,985 names and so a natural decrease to the extent of $3,000,000. But: there are still on the roll 557,293 soldiers and 317,463 "dependents," and Congress has greatly increased the pension appropriation recently. So the decrease is more than overcome. Nearly $4,000,000,000 has been paid in pensions for the Civil War, and the end is very far from being in sight. War is deadly, destructive, and costs beyond all power to compute.

ELON COLLEGE LETTER.

An Educational Crisis.

It seems to me that we face a grave crisis educationally in our country. I have a letter in my hands from a devoted friend of the College who had failed to land a student for us whom he felt we ought by right to have had. "He wished to come," my friend concludes, "but when every other means failed the —— ——— gave him a scholarship." The pity of it is that the friends of Elon have to bear their part of the expense of supporting that self-same institution.

Let us get the issue clearly before us. The public graded and high schools have already driven the Church preparatory school out of existence. The Catholics in many States have driven the Bible from these same schools and design to drive it from all of them. It would seem that this would be cause for sober thinkers to take counsel together how they may reclaim their own. "But," they say, "We have our children at home and can see to it that they get religious training in spite of the lack of it in the public school system." And there is much in this claim, if the home would maintain the family altar. You know whether it does or not.

But what shall we say of the State institution of higher learning, which takes young people entirely from under parental control or instruction, and belittles, if it does not besmirch, the Bible? Not only so, but, when this same institution loses its case in open competition with the Church College for the Church College's legitimate patronage and then resorts to the specious method of granting free tuition scholarships where they are not needed except to keep students from the Church College, what shall we say? I repeat it, what shall we say? We are forced to pay taxes for lavish equipment and high-salaried teachers for these institutions, and what is worse, we are forced to pay the tuition of young people who normally ought to go to our Church Colleges and actually wish to do so, but are decoyed in other directions by a grant of tuition filched from the people's purses. It is not a case of competition. There is no competition in it. The State institution, if the parents take the monetary view of it, is sure to force the Church College to the wall. The question is, Will our Church people take the monetary view of it? And if not, why not?

They will not ultimately because they are going to become aware soon that character, Christian character, is the finest asset of life, and that this priceless boon, this divine constituent in life, cannot be had except where religion is exalted, the Bible believed, reverenced and practiced, and the Christian life held up as the ideal life and not decried as the ambition of intellectual weaklings and the peculiar heritage of women and children who are too unsophisticated to know the truth if they were to collide with it literally. And they will discover that these desiderata are to be had nowhere save in the Church College.

But wherein does the crisis come? It is contained in the inability or the unwillingness of Church members to believe these things **now**. They wish, many of them, to put it to the test. Experience is a dear teacher, but some will have no other. It will be too late when their sons and daughters come home from the State institution with mind poisoned with infidelity and with hearts steeled against the things they once loved and cherished. It will be too late for them, but their neighbors will profit by their undoing, and the future of the Church College shall be safe.

Let me plead with you, fathers and mothers of the Christian church, let me plead with you not to subject your sons and daughters to the deadly spiritual miasma of the State institution in the formative, impressionable age of their life. They may come out all right—but—and this is the sad part of it—they may come out ruined. You risk too much for the mere item of free tuition, which your Church College cannot grant because it cannot put its hands into your pocketbook withour your consent without being styled—a thief. **Will you be a party to such a deed at such a risk?**

W. A. Harper.

QUEER PRAYERS.

Prayer is natural. Feeling our own impotency, we appeal to the powerful. In prosperity we are sometimes forgetful; but let trial come, or death in the family threaten, and we remember to pray. But prayer is very common. There are others who pray beside good people.

When the sinner says, "I'll be damned," he is praying.

A bidden guest said, "I pray thee, have me excused."

The Pharisee said, "I thank thee, Lord, that I am not as other men are."

Sinners are recorded as saying to God, "Depart from us: for we desire not the knowledge of thy ways."

The Gadarenes prayed Jesus to depart out of their coasts.

Pharaoh said to Moses that he would see his face no more.

Under the preaching of Paul, Felix trembled, and said, "Go thy way for this time."

A rich man in torment prayed Father Abraham to send Lazarus to dip his finger in water to cool his tongue.

Certain foolish virgins said, "Lord, open to us."

In the future some people will say to the rocks and mountains, "Fall on us, and hide us."

It is better to learn how to pray. The disciples who asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, as taught his disciples, were wiser than sinners of our time, who explain away the power of prayer through their sophisms, or learn queer prayers, that are usually bad prayers.

J. J. Summerbell.

Dayton, Ohio.

OUR CHURCH AND LITERATURE.

Travelling westward from Greensboro, N. C. we do not find a Christian Church until we get to the Western part of Kentucky, a distance of nearly five hundred miles. However, the Disciple's Church is known through the section, of which I have just made mention, and the Disciples, as many Sun readers know call themselves Christians. I would be safe in saying that I have been asked over one hundred times for the last three weeks what church I am a member of; and when I gave the answer, the usual reply is "We have that church in this part of the country." Then, of course it is up to me to explain.

We believe that a bright day for our church is near at hand, and with the aid of strong men and women going out from Elon and our other colleges, that soon the Christian church will be known throughout the country. Our people do not boost their church as other denominations do. But I am of the opinion that if our people would only begin to raise the flag of their church men and women would respond. If you will study about it you will observe that a man can join the Christian Church without giving up any non-essential views and beliefs held by any other protestant denomination. But this is not what we meant to write about.

We have church literature, and lots of it, which should be carefully distributed among our own people. I say among our own people because we have ministerial students who do not have a copy of our principles and government in their study. As far as I know this may be true in the other denominations. How many of our ministerial students have read the "Life of O'Kelly," "Christians, not Disciples," or the "Lives of Christian Ministers?"

These books are cheap and should be in the hands of every layman, as well as ministers. How many of our ministerial students red the Christian Sun and Herald of Gospel Liberty every week? How

many laymen? But friends, don't understand me to say that other denominations read all their church literature, for they don't.

The average man can easily tell you all about what his politieal party is doing, but ask him what his ehurch is doing for the salvation of souls and he is dumb. Ask him what majority a certain candidate got in a certain eleetion and he quiekly responds. Ask him how many souls his church brought into the Kingdom of God last year and he has not the faintest idea.

May there be a great movement in the church for the knowledge of its teachings and a greater movement for imparting of such knowledge to others.

C. B. Riddle.

Williamsburg, Ky.

OUTWARD BOUND.

Standing at the harbor we see a magnificent ship leaving her moorings and bound for a distant port. She is laden with merchandise to the value of millions. Her engines are in perfect gears, the propellers move with the utmost regularity. From the masthead is fluttering the flag in the breeze. Her deeks are laden with their load of human freight, some tossing back good-byes to loved ones on shore, others eontemplating the grandeur and glory of the morning sun as lie rises over the sea; and still others meditating pensively on the wonders of the deep. Who knows the storms, tempest, dangers, she may have to battle with before she reaehes her destination? She may be foundered upon some roeky cliff and her passengers fill watery graves. Imagine if you ean, the heart-throbs of those who see them depart, their loved ones perhaps, whom they may never see again. Those who depart are all subject to the conditions of the storms, waves, rocks.

This leads us to the consideration of a young man's or young woman's leaving college, just entering on the threshold of active life. It is of utmost importance that the journey of life be made a sueessful one and he who would succeed must consider its aim and end. He who starts upon a journey should have a definite idea as to his destination, otherwise he wanders about aimless like a vessel upon the great ocean without a chart or compass, or even a pilot, driven before every wind and finally wrecked upon the shores of some unknown, barren country! alas! and how many finally discover that life has been spent in vain that the tree of life which should have been laden with fruit is barren, containing nothing but leaves.

Life is a growth, and it should be developed along natural and noble lines. Every person endowed with faculties and intelligence possible to the great mass of people of this country ought to make his life a success. It would seem that nowadays the only real excuse for failure must be either lack of intelligence or pure laziness.

Success is sure to crown the life of any person, who possesses an average intellect, a high ideal, a disposition to work, who is willing to sacrifice, if necessary and to bear needful trials. And yet how few succeed! The world has ever been divided into two classes—the few who succeed and the many who fail. Why is it that so many fail when the opportunities are so great and the possibilities so vast? The answer is obvious. They are not willing to pay the price of success, they ignore the lesson of experienee, they turn a deaf ear to the warnings of others and with eyes wide open direct their eourse straight for the roeks where thousands have gone down.

Sometime, somewhere God gives to everyone a chance to win and wear a crown of victory. Life is full of opportunities, they are fairly showered upon us. Look about you. This is an age of specialities in mechanics, in agrieulture, in science, in art and literature. You can not do all,but you can do one thing well. You can surely find the place and works for which you are adapted, and having found it, stick. Life is far too short to be spent in roaming.

Life is also a battle. We have all discovered that. However sheltered our position or serene our career, we have had to encounter oceasional skirmishes and most of us know the bitterness of defeat. Life is not a thing to be played with, to be frittered in dreams, to be wasted in frivolity. It is a stern fight in which the warrior must have ceaseless energy and keen foresight, if he is to attain success and achieve an honorable record. The firing will not be done with toy pistols. We are not about to parade our superfieial cleverness in a sham fight. We shall have to endure wounds, blows, sickening disappointments and soul-haunting temptations. Are we ready for the fray? This battle can be fought victoriously by the young man and young woman with clean hands and a pure heart and, the chivalrous courage, which belong to soldiers of the King.

Many of us today are just starting on the duties of active life. The volume of the future lies unopened before us. Its covers are illuminated by the pictures of fancy and its edges are gleaming with the golden tints of hope. Vainly we strive to loosen its wondrous clasp. 'Tis a task, which none but the hand of time can accomplish. Life is before us, not earthly life above; true life! A thread running interminably through the warp of eternity.

We are now about to sail out of the harbor of college life, with streamers flying, yonder dressed, ambition at the prow and pleasure at the helm. But before we gain quiet waters again what ehances, changes, dangers, fears, anxieties? Some, too light may sink with the first wind; some, wrong at the compass or driven by a gale may drive to ruin and perish; some, come back again, gray and weather-stained, deep laden with the wealth, for which they have ventured so much and so far. But what will it be to have obtained wealth if we shall have lived for self alone? Let us live to make others happy, for noble deeds and achievements. We are in the world to make it better to lift it to higher levels of enjoyment and progress, by devoting to our fellowman our best thoughts, activities and influences.

We creep into childhood, sober into manhood and totter into old age. But through it all let us so live that when in the evening of life the golden clouds rise sweetly invitingly upon the golden mountains, and the light of Heaven streams down through the gathering mists of death, we may have a peaceful and joyous entrance into that world of blessedness, where the riddle of life whose meaning we ean only guess at here below, may be unfolded to us in the quiek consciousness of a soul-redeemed and purified.

(By Miss Mabel Farmer on graduation day Elon College June 5, 1912.)

A PLAN SUGGESTED.

The Secretary of the Woman's Mission Board of the E. Va. Conference has asked the Secretary of the Sunday school Convention for a place on the program of the Convention for a Missionary Conference. This he gladly granted. It is the purpose of the Board to have several speak on missionary topics, with a discussion of the work we are doing in the Conference. This will give an opportunity of presenting the work before representatives from the various churches who may catch some inspiration to carry home with them and thus aid in establishing the work where it has not yet been undertaken. This plan is suggested, with a hope that other Boards may grasp the same opportunity in their Conferences. The idea is to get the matter before our people that they may become acquainted with what we are doing and are hoping to do that indifference to the work may give place to interest and enthusiasm.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—Rev. T. W. Strowd is to hold a series of meetings at Mt. Zion beginning fourth Sunday in July and at Bethel first Sunday in August.

—Burlington church has granted its pastor, Rev. A. B. Kendall, a month's vacation, and he with Mrs. Kendall left last Monday for the latter's parental home in Pennsylvania.

—Next week the Sunday school convention of the Eastern N. C. Conference holds at Liberty in Vance Co. The week following, both the Eastern Virginia and the Western N. C. are to be held. Sunday schools should all be represented in their respective Conventions.

—Words of thanks and appreciation for the work done so far in behalf of our Publishing House are pouring in upon us and serve to show that the movement is not only popular and deserved, but one long since needed and much desired.

—Rev. D. P. Barrett writes from Porto Rico to Mission Secretary Morrill that the Bubonic Plague has appeared in San Juan and more than twenty deaths have already resulted. It is presumed that both Porto Rico and Cuba will be strictly quarantined, as the plague has also appeared in Cuba.

—There has not arisen amongst us a more popular movement than this to establish a Southern Publishing House, and we have yet to find and talk with the first man who opposes it. The strange thing is, and we hear this on every side, that we have been content to go along so long without such a House.

—The brethren and friends are responding far beyond all previous expectations to the call for subscribers to stock in The Southern Christian Publishing Company. Not one person yet seen has said it was a doubtful movement, or one in the wrong direction, or one that would fail.

—Our Greensboro church has given its pastor, Rev. L. E. Smith, a vacation of three weeks, and he with Mrs. Smith will seek rest in the mountains of North Carolina. Bro. Smith has done a great year's work and deserves, as he needs, the rest his people have generously accorded him.

—It must be gratifying to all the friends of Elon College that so far many more applications for rooms and entrance at the College at its opening Sept. 4 have come in than ever before up to this time of year, and that all indications now point to the largest and best opening the College has ever had. May these hopes and indications be abundantly realized.

—A ministerial friend sends us the Notice, in another column, seeking information about Rev. J. W. Tetlow. The story is a sad one, and any information will be greatly appreciated. The wife, now believed to be near death, believes the Lord is sparing her life that she may see her husband once more. **Help if you can.**

—Secretary L. F. Johnson writes an important notice in another column. An endeavor is being made to have the best and most largely attended Young People's and Sunday school Convention at Liberty, Vance Co., N. C., that has so far been held, and from letters already received Bro. Johnson thinks that this "promises to be the best convention yet."

—Rev. J. O. Cox, pastor of our Durham church, was a welcome visitor to this sanctum Monday p. m. Bro. Cox is past master at church finance, and by his great zeal and business integrity, has practically wiped out the indebtedness which had hung like a pall for months over the building in which his congregation worshipped. We rejoice with our Durham friends at the great work they have accomplished in this behalf the past two years under the splendid leadership of Bro. Cox.

—In the death of Dr. Thomas Hume, sometime professor of English in the University of North Carolina the State loses one of its most distinguished citizens and the teaching profession one of its brightest men and best scholars. Dr. Hume was in his 76th year and died at his home in Chapel Hill, N. C., last Monday a. m. In all our observation and experience we never met, heard speak or conversed with a man who handled so gracefully and so charmingly his mother tongue as did Dr. Hume.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

For years the Board of Trustees of Elon College has requested all male members of the Faculty to canvass for students during the summer vacation. This was changed at the last meeting of the Board and for the following reasons: all teachers are not equally gifted in this modern art of solicitations: it is expensive to keep so many persons in the field; vacation can be employed in other work of equal advantage to the Institution; for some the vacation was needed for investigation in the field of their teaching. The smaller number of field-workers for students will have the harder task and need the greater local help in the churches. Old students make good solicitors and such work for the College not only helps secure students, but is itself a preparation or special training for after life. This age is more of a "soliciting age" than any in human history. The phrase "go after business" sounds the key-note of a new method. It is really missionary in its origin and spirit. It carries in its activities the spirit of discovery and conquest. New fields are explored and new business is developed. The young man or young woman who is already in Elon College has an opportunity to hunt out or discover worthy young people who would be greatly benefitted by college training and inviting them, yea, persuading them to go to Elon, such work blesses him that gives and him that receives. It develops human interest and enterprise in the solicitor, and may open the way for great usefulness to the young person thus put in college. No one is so well fitted for this service as students. No memory could be sweeter than the memory of having discovered and brought to college a young person who afterward made good in education and the field of human service.

This great work is to the credit of many Elon students and this is the year of all years when old students can do a great service for their Alma Mater. While teachers are improving themselves and the College itself and the President with some help is making the canvass for students any individual help done by students will endear them to the Board of Trustees and all whose hearts long for the College.

Besides this patrons of the school and ministers of the churches can supplement such efforts of President and students and thus keep the tide rising in favor of Elon. It is not so much what a few do as what the many do that makes great things possible. This is revealed in the creation and growth of Elon. Every contributor is interested in some measure in the history of the Institution—Elon College is as essential to the existence, progress, and standing of the Southern Christian Convention as Anapolis and West Point are to the Navy and Army of the United States. The real church activities and forces of the future will be manned and operated either by or under the leadership of Elon students. While securing literary education they are in training for the church. The impress of Christian education is upon them.

The President needs and merits the cooperation of the brotherhood, and young and old, near and far, may lend a helping hand and do great service for those who may be led to the College. The poverty of the college makes this work on the part of the constituency all the more urgent, and this same poverty of the College makes its work all the more help-

ful. Rich institutions cannot do the same class of training that poor institutions do; institutions, like men, do their best work while they are poor. In such institutions education is more real and less ideal, and we live in a real world as well as an ideal world. W. W. Staley.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

Mrs. Sadie Jones and daughter Ethelyn have returned from a pleasant vacation of ten days' duration among friends and relatives in Wake County.

Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Cox and children are guests at Mrs. Harper's this week. Brother Cox is planning to spend August in Northfield.

Mr. J. E. Trollinger has resigned his place as superintendent of the College power station.

Mr. R. A. Atkins is to have charge of the College dairy and buildings till the opening in September.

Prof. and Mrs. Lawrence and children are visiting in Randolph County this week. They report an excellent trip to Asheville, but regretted not to have seen Rev. M. L. Bryant and wife.

Mrs. W. E. Lowe has returned from an enjoyable vacation visit in Randolph County. Her sister, Miss Lula May Harriss, accompanied her home.

Dr. T. C. Amick and the writer attended the Washington township S. S. Convention in Guilford County last Friday. It met at Friedens' Church. Dr. Amick also conducted a very pleasant prayer-meeting Sunday evening.

Mrs. F. M. Riddick has moved into the McNally cottage, which used to be known as the Adams house. Her son Luther is engaged in the printer's business in Durham during the vacation season.

Mr. F. T. Noah, Columbia, S. C., is visiting his parents this week. He is making fine success of the insurance business in South Carolina.

Quite a number of our people will attend the Young People's Convention of the N. C. and Va. Conference at Monticello this week.

The Executive Board of the Orphanage held a called meeting on Wednesday. The College Executive Board met on Thursday. Their transactions will be made public later.

Dr. Atkinson is meeting with phenomenal success in selling stock for the Publishing House. It is a good cause with a good representative to good people—of course, of course, it will go.

Sunday's mail brought four requests for catlogue, an application, and the assurance from another that he would come. If our friends will but continue to stand by us during the next seven weeks as they have during the past six, we will have a campus full of students on the opening day. *And they will.*

W. A. H.

President Harper announces very satisfactory arrangements for next year relative to the physical exercise of the student body. Miss Clements remains in her post as Director of Physical Culture for young women, a position she has filled with eminent satisfaction for the last two years. As previously announced the gymnasium in West Dormitory is to be fitted up with the latest gymnastic appliances for young ladies. The contract for necessary structural changes looking to this end was let last week to Standard Boiler and Machine Company of Greensboro, N. C. and the installation begins to-day.

The College is also fortunate in the selection of its physical director for the new men's gymnasium, this summer to be erected. The director is Mr. R. N. Miller, Richmond, Va., who for four years has successfully filled a similar position in the Railroad Y. M. C. A. of that city and who is now engaged in further studies for his new responsibilities in the Y. M. C. A. Physical Training School of New York City. He enters upon duties here Sept. 1.

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION—IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The time is July 23, 24. The place is Liberty Church, Vance Co. The railroad station is Henderson. The time to leave your home for the Convention is on first train toward Henderson, July 22. All trains will be met on 22nd. The church is six miles from station. The roads are good.

The entertainment will be great. The pastor, Rev. C. E. Newman, Henderson, N. C., will be glad to receive your application for entertainment. All superintendents and secretaries are ex-officio members of the Convention. Ministers having churches in the Conference are invited. L. F. Johnson, Sec.

NOTICE.

Delegates and visitors who will attend the Eastern Virginia Sunday School Convention at Portsmouth, Va., are requested to notify the pastor at once. Address,

J. W. Harrell,
709 Washington St.,
Portsmouth, Va.

NOTICE.

Mrs. J. W. Tetlow, formerly of Milford, N. J., now of 250 Harrison St., Fall River, Mass., sends this word to her husband:

"Come home. The Doctors say I cannot recover. I want to see you."

Also she would be thankful for any information given by any brother or sister concerning the present, or former address of Rev. J. W. Tetlow, during the past year.

HOW I PAID MY WAY TO COLLEGE.

Because there are hundreds of girls, yea thousands, who are paying their way to college as the following did, and because half dozen or more pay their way in this manner at Elon College every year we copy the following and pass it along as a true story.—*Editor Sun.*

(THREE DOLLAR PRIZE LETTER.)

Being next to the youngest of 11 children and reared on a small farm in a community that offered no educational advantages except the public school, which lasted four months in the year, and was taught by only one teacher, it is no wonder that as a child I never thought of getting an education. However when I was 11 years old, a larger school house was built and two teachers were employed. It was then that I became interested in getting an education.

Later I was sent to a high school and when I was 15 I secured a position as assistant teacher in a small school. I earned a little money by teaching and then decided to go to college. I paid half my expenses the first year by working in the dining-room and my father helped me to pay the rest. I studied hard and made the best grades of anyone in my class.

At the end of the session the president of the college offered to lend me money to pay my expenses if I wished to attend another year. I gladly accepted his offer and spent another year in hard study. At the close of the second year I found that I owed no small amount, as I had taken music and had to pay extra for it. But I didn't mind it in the least for I knew that I could now easily get a good position as teacher, and that I could soon pay it.

Since then I have been teaching, have paid back all the money that my father spent during the first year I was at college and have paid the president of the college all that I owed him. My work in the dining room proved a great help to me, for I learned many things there that I wouldn't otherwise have learned.

Really, girls if you can go to college do so, even if you have to work in the dining room as I did. At the school I attended the work was by no means disagreeable, and I believe if I had to go to school again and had plenty of money I would work in the dining-room more for the experience it gives a girl than anything else. Miss Cordie Griffith.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor.

This depatrment under the direction of Young People's General Convention. Frequent news items from Sunday schools, organized classes, and C. E. societies are desired. If you are interested in either or about to organize, address the department's editor,

CHARLES A. HINES, Editor and Cor. Sec., Greensboro, N. C

CONVENTION DATES.

Following are the times and places of meeting of the Young People's and Sunday school Conventions.

North Carolina and Virginia—Monticello, Guilford County, N. C., July 16, 17, 18.

Eastern North Carorlina—Liberty Church, Vance County, N. C., July 23-24.

Eastern Virginia—Portsmouth, Va., July 24-26.

Western North Carolina—Pleasant Hill Church, Alamance County, July 26, 27, 28.

A New Roll Call Response.

The largest society in Boston, the first United Presbyterian, adopted a unique method at the roll-call while a membership contest was in progress.

The members were told, a month in advance, that when next the roll was called those that had succeeded in winning new members were to announce the names of those that they had won that had been accepted by the lookout committee and the pastor.

This proved a strong stimulus, and every member got busy. The result was the addition of fifty new members in one month. Practically all these members have "stuck" to the society, and some of them are its best workers to-day.

NOTES ON C. E. TOPIC, JULY 28.

Subject: Missions in North America.—Acts 2: 1-21.

Daily Readings.

M.—Great revivals.....Acts 14:8-18
T.—Steady growth .....Acts 9:23-31
W.—Christian unity .....Acts 4:32-33
T.—Love's crucible .....Gal. 3:27-29
F.—Great consecration.....Luke 19:1-10
S.—Increasing liberality....2 Cor. 8:1-7
Sun., July 28. Topic.

Missionary Progress.

The progress of missions in North America in the last few years may not have been everything that was desired, yet it has been marked. The older organizations are doing a greater work each year and new societies and auxiliaries of the church are setting others to work. Sometimes we hear the complaint, "There are too many organizations in the church." This is to be doubted. Every new organization gives more work for Christians, and at the same time some will be reached who could not be reached in any other way.

Our idea of missons is broadening. A mission is no longer merely a preaching-station. The men and Religion Forward Movement has crystalized modern thought in this respect in emphasizing a fivefold missionary message: evangelism, Bible study, missions, social service, and Christian community extension. This means that we are trying to introduce the religious spirit into the common things of life, and that we are seeking to reach our neighbor and give him a helping hand.

The Salvation Army in the United States began operations in Philadelphia in 1880, in an old building that had been used as a place in which to repair chairs. Last year the Army held 173,000 open-air services, with an estimated attendance of fifteen million souls. In the same time 215,000 indoor meetings were held, with an attendance of eight million adults and one and a half million children. More than forty thousand men claimed that they were converted last year through the work of the Army's open air-meetings.

The Salvation of America.

This young giant of the nations that in the two centuries has done more than Rome in the seven hundred years of her history; this laud whose wealth and power are increasing as that of no other country evevr did in human history, how long before her thought, her enterprise, her wealth, shall dominate the commerce of the world?

Where every passion is stimulated by her realization of power what shall restrain her greed from plundering the nations? Save America for America's sake. Only the Gospel shall restrain her from becoming a Cortez or a Pizarro among the nations.

Who does not know that the godless rum traffic is run by Christian England and America and the godless lives of those engaged in that traffic are the greatest obstacles to missionary success in heathen lands? Save America for the world's sake.

Nothing will save us but Christianity strong enough to hold and check the awful greed for gold that infects our peoople. The society of Christian Endeavor, made up largely of energetic, consecrated young people, must have a large share in this work.

From Other Pens.

A million immigrants come annually to America. This is the same as building and filling with a foreign population ten cities of 100,000 each! A million immigrants. A million opportunities! A million obligations.

Every foreigner converted in America becomes directly or indirectly a missionary agent abroad spreading knowledge of the truth among his kindred and tribe. The greatness of the opportunity is the measure of the obligation.

Only a missionary church can save the world or justify its own existence. The manner in which American Christianity deals with the religious problems of immigration will decide what part America is to play in the evangelization of the nations abroad.

There is no greater Home Mission field in the world than Canada. Her possibilities are legion. Canada is a country immensely rich in resources, capitalized and fortified by her schools and by her churches; people by a cosmopolitan population; govérened by the spirit of democracy; privilege to possess an equal right to the land, God's gift to His children. With such an heritage as this what should our answer be?

Sixty per cent of the population of the United States have no connection with any organized body of believers, either Protestant or Catholic. Great masses of people rich and poor, educated and illiterate, native and foreign, farmers and miners, negroes and whites, Indians and Orientals, Hilanders and Lowlanders, are not touched by the church or the agencies of the gospel, and the sanctuaries of our Lord never receive them in prayer and worship. Pastors that are shepherds, Bible scholars who can teach the way of life, evangelists who can win men to God, and personal workers who can take the gospel of salvation to men, are needed today as never before in the history of America or the world.

THE S. S. AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION OF THE EASTERN N. C. CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

Delegates and visitors coming by rail will be met at Henderson Monday p. m., July 22nd, and taken to the neighborhood of Liberty church, eight miles in the country, where the Convention convenes on Tuesday, the 23rd. Those coming from Raleigh and Durham will arrive in

Henderson about 1 o'clock p. m. Those coming from the north of Henderson will arrive at 2:45 p. m.

C. E. Newman,
Henderson, N. C.

MARRIED.

Vaughan-Ellis.

At the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. T. Ellis, Nurney, Va., June 6th, 19,2, at 8 o'clock P. M. Mr. Marvin Vaughan of Suffolk Va., and Miss Essie Maud Ellis, the best man being W. B. Vaughan, brother of the groom, and maid of honor Miss Lillie Ellis, sister of the bride. Attendants were J. E. Parker, and Miss Blanch Brown, of Suffolk Va. After the nuptial knot was tied, a sumptuous repast was served, after which the happy young couple departed for their future home in Suffolk, Va.

H. H. B.

Holland-King.

A very beautiful, but quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Darius King, near Myrtle, Va., June 8th, 1912, when Mr. Fred C. Holland and Miss Georgie May King were united in matrimony, by their pastor. The young and happy couple are greatly esteemed and are very popular in this section. Miss King the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darius King, and is well known in social circles and Mr. Holland is employed in the Pullman car service on the N. & W. Ry. They have the congratulations of their many friends.

H. H. B.

Taylor-Taylor.

Suffolk Va., June 9th, 1912 Mr. Fletcher Taylor and Miss Susie Taylor were united in matrimony. They will make Suffolk their future home. The young and happy couple have the best wishes of their many friends.

H. H. B.

Turner-Powell.

Chestnut St., No 207 Suffolk Va. June 17th, Mr. Nurnie C. Turner and Miss Mary Garden Powell, both of Norfolk, Va. , were united in matrimony. After the marriage the young and happy couple left for Norfolk and Northern cities. Among the guests to witness the ceremony, were the bride groom's mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Turner of Isle of Wight Co. Va. The young and happy couple have the congratulations of their many friends.

H. H. B.

Brown-Hinton.

At the home of the bride on Holladay St., extended Suffolk Va., June 19th, 1912 Mr. Charles Brown who is an employee of the Union News Co. on the Norfolk & Western Ry. and Miss Dora A. Hinton. May their lives be long, happy and prosperous.

H. H. B.

Beale-Vaughan.

On Wednesday June 19th, 1912, at 3:30 P. M. in the Beaver Dam Baptist Church, Mr. Earnest L. Beale of Franklin, Va. and Miss Caroline Virginia Vaughan of Carrsville, Va. were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The church was beautifully decorated with ferns, smilax, palms and potted plants, and was illuminated with pink candles.

Miss Virginia Rawls of Carrsville presided at the organ with Miss Lillie Maie Watkins of Norfolk, Va., accompanist. The attendants were: Miss Mary Watkins, Norfolk, Va. Maid of honor, cousin of the bride, Mrs. Jos. H. Saunders, Richmond, Va. and Mrs. Chas. M. Waff, Franklin, Va., sisters of the groom, dames of honor. The ring was carried in a basket of sweet peas by little Misses Elsie Daughtery and Mary Louise Duke. Prof. J. H. Saunders, Richmond, Va., was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Beale are spending their honeymoon in New York, and will visit places of interest on the Hudson River.

Rev. G. C. Duncan, pastor of the bride, officiated, assisted by the writer, pastor of the groom. A host of friends wish them every joy in their married life.

C.H.Rowland.

Harrell-Beale.

Almon Gray Harrell and Iola Virginia Beale were quietly married at the bride's home near Holland, Va., June 23rd 1912, the writer officiating. Only a few immediate relatives and friends were present. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Beale of Holland, Va. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ranson Harrell, formerly of Southampton Co., but now in business at Shelton, Princess Anne Co. May their wedded life be long, happy and useful.

N. G. Newman.

Burgess-Cogsdale.

Mr. Clyde W. Burgess, and Miss Ellie E. Cogsdale, were united in marriage in Franklin Christian Church June 19, 1912. A number of friends assembled to witness the ceremony. The bridal party immediately after the ceremony drove to the home of the groom, near Isaac, Va. They have the good wishes of their many friends for a long, happy and useful life. The writer officiated.

C. H Rowland.

Bayton-Holland.

A beautiful marriage was solemnized at Holland Christian Church, Holland, Va. on June 22nd, 1912, when Earnest Linwood Bayton and Sadie Elizabeth Holland plighted their troth to each other and became man and wife. The church had been decorated and a large concourse of friends gathered. The wedding march, Lohengrin's, was rendered by Miss Mary Virginia Godwin of Chuckatuck, Va. The ushers were Kenneth Holland, W. V. Leathers, J. T. Jones, all of Holland, Va., and T. B. Hoggard, Norfolk, Va. Mrs. L. B. Holland, Aringdale, Va.. sister-in-law to the bride was matron of honor, and Miss Jessie Holland, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Dr. Lonsdale J. Roper, Norfolk, Va., was best man The bride wore a tailored suit of tan whip-cord, with hat and gloves to match. Six of the bride's fourth grade pupils served as candle bearers. The ceremony was performed by the writer, the ring ceremony being used. Many handsome and valuable presents were received.

The ante-nuptial reception at the Holland Hotel was an elegant affair and much enjoyed by the privileged few.

The groom is the son of the late J. H. Bayton, Portsmouth, Va. and the bride the oldest daughter of P. C. Holland, Sr. Holland, Va. The happy pair left at once for a tour to Niagara Falls, Canada and other points. They will reside at 3120 High St., Portsmouth, Va. May their wedded life be one of usefulness and honor.

N. G. Newman.

Cole-McCauley.

At the beautiful country home of Mrs. S. S. McCauley thee miles west of Chapel Hill, Mr. John Cole of Chapel Hill and Miss Sallie Irene McCauley, were happily married Wednesday afternoon June 19th, 1912.

The couple entered the tastily decorated parlor to the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March softly rendered by Mrs. F. C. Nye of Winterville, N. C., where the words that made them one were impressively spoken by Rev. Thomas W. Stroud. Immediately after the ceremony the wedding party left for the home of the groom at Chapel Hill where a delightful reception was given to a number of relatives and friends. All of the children and grand children of Mrs. McCau-

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WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

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This Department is edited by Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va., assisted by the other members of the Board, to whom all items of missionary interest and matter for the Department should be sent.

MISSION STUDY CLASSES.

No one will deny that the church today is falling short of her possibilities in winning the world to Christ, and much of the failure is due to ignorance. We do not know of the great things that have already been accomplished by consecrated men and women, and thus miss the inspiration to be gained from this source. We do not know the needs of those without the Gospel, and thus do not feel any weight of responsibility except in a general way.

As a person studies missions he becomes interested in missions, and the more he studies, the more interested he becomes. As his interest increases, he will feel the great need, and will, no doubt, be moved to take a part in the great work of the salvation of the world.

This is the purpose of the Mission Study Class—to cause every member to become intelligently interested and to feel his or her personal responsibility for the advancement of Christ's kingdom. Wherever a Woman's Society is organized, it is hoped a Mission Study Class will follow. There are many good text books prepared expressly for the use of Missionary Societies. One most highly recommended is "Western Women in Eastern Lands." Through the study of this book, one gets a history of the organized work among women, learns of the difficulties they overcame, of the good accomplished by women for women, their methods of work, and the problems that now confront them on the foreign field. There is no excuse for any one who desires light to be ignorant longer concerning the conditions and needs of the non-Christian lands. When our people become thus informed, they will be an awakened interest along missionary lines.

If the study classes already organized would report their work to this Department, it would, no doubt, encourage them to take up the course. It is also desirable to have reports of the monthly meetings of the local missionary society. It helps the general work to read reports of what is being done. It gives inspiration and stimulates endeavor. What is being done in your Society?

Alabama Letter.

Encouraging reports from various churches in the Conference are heard. There is an increased attendance with a deeper and growing interest at several points. This ought to be one of our best years, for our opportunities were never more inviting than now.

At Dingler's Chapel a new and commodious building has recently been erected under the capable leadership of Rev. J. H. Hughes, pastor. Bro. Hughes is highly esteemed and greatly loved by the people at this place. On the third Sunday of June an enthusiastic, interesting District meeting was held, at which time the new church was first used.

The Missionary Rally which was held with the Wadley Christian church last Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, was a remarkable success—especially so when it is remembered that only a few years ago those of the Christian church in Alabama were desperately opposed to missions. Now there is a growing desire to know more of this cause and a willingness to do more for the same.

On Sunday at 11 o'clock, at which time the Wadley church was dedicated, was held the crowning service of the entire meeting. Long before the eleven o'clock hour the house was crowded, every seat bing taken. And still the people came. Quite a number lingered outside, while others turned away with sad hearts and disappointed hopes. Fortunate indeed were those who came early, for Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C., was the speaker of the hour, and his message was fervent, forceful, profound, powerful. In this writer's judgment, Dr. Atkinson has never delivered a greater sermon than that which he gave us last Sunday. By his profundity of thought, force of logic, beauty of diction, power of eloquence and fervor of heart, the magnificent audience present was lifted into a larger and fuller appreciation of the church of God. By such masterly preaching waves of influence are set in motion that shall sweep the ocean of time, bearing many ship-wrecked souls to the harbor of God. All in all we had a great day and a great meeting, the effects of which will doubtless be felt in the years that are to be.

Let it not be forgotten that the Sunday School Convention of the Alabama Conference convenes with New Harmony church on Wednesday, the 17th instant. Every Sunday school in the Conference ought to see to it that it is represented at this approaching Convention. We need a strong pull, a long pull, and

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Rev. J. V. Knight passed through this morning en route to Elon College, N. C. Bro. Knight has spent about a month with his parents near Lineville, Ala., recuperating for his summer meetings, and another year in College. The good wishes and prayers of his many friends follow him as he goes back to resume his work in North Carolina.

For more than a week Aunt Susan Hand, of this place, has been critically ill. Her death is expected at any hour.

G. O. Lankford.

Wadley, Ala., July 5, 1912.

—In another column appears the annual announcement of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. This College is doing a splendid work for the industries of the State. Its graduates are in demand at good salaries and are found in all walks of industrial life. Young men who desire to fit themselves for useful and remunerative service cannot do better than to inform themselves about this College.

—When it comes to politics and elections count on your American. The Philippine government has established, on the island of Culion in the Philippines, a Republic for Lepers: and Michael Wholen, the only American leper in the island, has been elected Chief Executive of the new Republic, the only one of its kind in the world.

—The bubonic plague has appeared both in Cuba and Porto Rico recently and deaths are reported from both as resulting from the dread disease. The Government is using every sanitary means available to stamp out the disease.

—Senator Lorimer from Illinois has at last been voted out of the United States Senate—expelled from that body—by an overwhelming vote of his peers in the Senate.

—Victor Morris Smith, Jr., holder of the worlds' amateur record for aeroplane speed, was instantly killed near Palo Alto, Cal., July 13. The aviator fell fifty feet and his neck was broken.

—Governor Blease of South Carolina has been accused by Burns detectives and others of corruption in office, receiving bribes, etc. The matter is to be aired at length.

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Amount brought forward		$1,438.49
Dues:		
Mabel Virginia Wells	$ .10	
Mary Lee Foster	.10	
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Int. on $1,000 Endowment	60.00	
Amount 24th week		112.97
Total		$1,551.46

My Dear Children and Friends:

We are glad to have so nice a report from the Sunday schools and special offerings, but are disappointed at the number of letters from our children. We cannot understand why the children will not write more often. We surely are grateful for the help given by our Sunday schools. They are now the solid support of our Orphanage work, coming week after week with their monthly offerings.

We are sending letters of appeal to those schools which make no offerings, and do beg them to resopnd at once to our necessity. Some have sent in once or twice and have then stopped. We can not tell why. We hope all schools will rally to a regular monthly help, for that is the help that tells in the end. If we have sent a letter to a school which is already sending in a monthly offering, please consider it a mistake and not intentional. We most thoroughly appreciate your help and want to say that without it we would be put to a great deal of disadvantage in a financial way. Let us hear from you, children and friends.

The dear little babe, Mabel Virginia Wells, who joins us this week, is the daughter of one who has from her childhood been a devoted cousin, Mrs. Mabel Yarborough Wells. May she prove as loyal and faithful.

Lovingly,
Uncle Jim.

Semora, N. C., July 4, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:—

As mother noticed there was only one letter last week, and that from an old cousin, she decided to let me write and join the litle folks' department, as I was one month old the second of this month, and weighed nine and one-half pounds. Right many of mother's friends have been to see me, and all of them tell me I am a fine, pretty baby, and just like daddy, but I reckon they just say it because they think it will please mother

I enclose a dime for the orphans, and beg to sign, ...

Your little niece,
Mabel Virginia Wells.

You are most heartily welcome, dear little one. Mother was a faithful "old" cousin, and we feel sure you will be. Be a good baby, so mother will have time to write.

Dear Cousins:—

We are playing "jackrocks" these days. We get up one thing and "run it in the ground," then we take up another. We like to play this, and guess it will be a long time before we tire.

Wonder what you all play these hot days. We played see-saw, but mother stopped us before we got hurt.

Lovingly,
Mary Lee Foster,
James L. Foster.

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ley were present at the marriage, making a happy family reunion.

Mr. Cole is Teller of the Bank of Chapel Hill and is held in the highest esteem by all who know him. Mrs. Cole is the accomplished daughter of Mrs. Sallie McCauley and has a host of friends who wish them a happy and prosperous life.

F. C. N.

Oates-Oates.

A pretty wedding was solemnized, June 29th, at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. John C. Oates of High View, W. Va. when their daughter, Miss Florence Elizabeth, became the bride of Mr. Fredrick Lee Oates of Capon Bridge, W. Va. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Henry Seldon, with violin accompaniment by Mr. J. E. Eaton. The ceremony was performed by the writer.

Immediately after the ceremony, the bridal party and relatives and friends present were invited to the dining room where elaborate refreshments were served.

The bride wore white brussels net over white messaline. She is one of High View's most attractive young ladies and has for a number of years been actively engaged in the work of the Timber Ridge Christian church.

The groom is a popular young man and has been engaged in the mercantile business.

We join their host of friends in wishing them a long and happy life.

W. T. Walters.

Braithwaite-Grimes.

Mr. Elmer Lee Braithwaite and Miss Naomia Elizabeth Grimes were quietly married at the home of the writer, June the 22nd at 9 P. M.

We wish them long life and happiness.

W. T. Walters.

DIED.

Coghill.

Mrs. Melissa Bledsoe Coghill the daughter of Catharine and Jordan Bledsoe was born Dec. 2, 1843 and died May 15, 1912, age 69 years six months and thirteen days. In the year 1865 she married Calvin Yancey Coghill, of Vance Co., N. C.

Into their home were born nine children. Only four are living. They are Mrs. Lucy Inscoe and Mrs. Iola Davis of Wake Co. Mr. Norfleet Coghill and Mrs. Martha Short of Henderson N. C. She is also survived by one sister, Miss Fanny Bledsoe, and one brother, Mr Lank Bledsoe of Vance Co.

Her husband died seventeen years ago.

At the time of her death she was visiting her daughter. The remains were brought to Henderson and interred in the family burying grounds near Fuller's. By request I preached her funeral the 3rd Sunday afternoon in June at Fuller's. There was a large crowd of relatives and friends present.

Sister Coghill lived a consecrated life to duty. She loved her church and was faithful in attending and contributing to the support of the same. Her family sorrow, but believe that the departed loved in is at rest.

C.E.Newman.

Ireland.

June 13th, 1912, at Altamahaw, N. C.

Mrs. Mary Gerringer Ireland at the age of 82 years, 2 months and 21 days.

Her husband died about 17 years ago. Seven children and eleven grand children are left to mourn her death. Sister Ireland had been a very worthy member of Bethelem church for about sixty years. She was a devoted servant of the Master. Death came very suddenly, but found her ready and waiting to go. Funeral and burial services at Bethlehem by her pastor assisted by Rev. A. F. Isley.

May His grace abundantly sustain the bereaved ones in this hour of sorrow.

J. W. Holt.

Brown.

Stephen E. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs W. H. H. Brown and Grandson of Rev W. R. Brown, was born Jan. 26, 1896 and died May 29, 1912 in the seventeenth year of his age.

He professed faith in Christ last Aug at Park's Cross Roads was baptized and united with the church. He was a tender, loving and obedient boy, and his death was a sad event in this home. He was sick only two weeks, and one brother did not arrive till the hour of the funeral.

He leaves a father, mother, ten brothers and sisters, fourteen uncles and aunts, and a large number of relatives and friends who mourn his departure. He was buried at Pleasant Ridge amid sobs and tears and bleeding hearts sought comfort in the sweet thought that he is "safe in the arms of Jesus." Loving friends and relatives covered his grave with flowers, and went away with a stronger desire for heaven. The funeral was conducted by the writer.

T. E. White.

Allen.

Myrtice Maie Phillips Allen, wife of E. C. Allen, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C Phillips, was born Feb. 22, 1891 and died June 2, 1912 in the twenty second year of her age. She was happily married to Eli C. Allen Oct. 29, 1911.

At the age of fourteen she made a public confession of Christ and united with the church at Union Grove. To her church she was loyal and faithful, and in her death the church has lost the presence of a useful and helpful member. She had talent for music and was always ready to sing and play the organ both in her home and at church.

She leaves a husband, an infant daughter, mother, three brothers, and one sister who feel deeply their loss.

We buried her in the cemetery at Holly Springs, and her funeral was conducted in the beautiful oak grove between the church and cemetery, where throngs of friends had gathered to sympathize with the heart broken young husband and grief stricken mother, brothers and sister. Touching remarks were made by J. N. and Frank Cagle who had known Myrtice from childhood, and who spoke tenderly of her conversion and school life. Friends showed their sympathy by weeping, and covering the grave with beautiful flowers. May the Lord comfort the sad ones.

T. E. White.

Lawrence.

William Edward Lawrence departed this life at his home near Gates, N. C., June 7th, 1912, at the age of 60 years and 21 days. He leaves a widow whose maiden name was Sallie Barnes Everett, two children, Mary Edith and Charles Wesley, two brothers, Miller J. Lawrence of Gates N. C. and H. Thomas Lawrence of Magnolia, Va. and one sister, Mrs. Frank Duke of Gates, N. C. Brother Lawrence was a member of Holy Neck Church and always impressed the writer as a good man, plain and humble, and patient in his last great suffering. The funeral services were conducted at the home by the writer and the body laid away in the family cemetery on the farm of his brother, Miller J. Lawrence. We extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved family and relatives. May our holy religion be their comfort and stay in sorrow's dark hour.

N. G. Newman.

Jones.

Mrs. Annie Rebecca Jones departed this life at her home near Holland Va., on June 21st ,912, after a long and weary decline, at the age of 76 years 5 months and 7 days. She was the oldest daughter of the late deacon William Darden and widow of the late Elijah Jones. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Rufus Scott and Mrs. S. R. B. Howell of Holland Va., and five sons, B. D. Jones, Holland Va. L. R. Jones, W. H. Jones, and E. P. Jones, Franklin, Va. and M. J. Jones, Norfolk Va., fourteen grand children, two sisters, Mrs. Luther Rawls, Holland, Va., and Mrs. Dempsey B. Langston, Gates, N. C. and one brother, Elisha Darden, Franklin, Va.

The funeral services were conducted at Holy Neck church by the writer and the remains placed by the side of her husband in Holy Neck cemetery.

Mrs. Jones joined Holy Neck church at the age of thirteen and was a devoted and loyal member till her death. She possessed an unshaken faith in Christ and her life was characterized by a genuine piety. Kind and hospitable to all who entered her home, true and generous to her friends and neighbors, faithful, loving, and sacrificing for her own, she won and held a high place in the esteem and love of her community, and her children now "rise up to call her blessed." The reward of her loving service to and faithful prayers for her own is manifest in seven Christian sons and daughters, all settled in life and doing well, faithful and active members of the church and three of them deacons in their respective churches. We are grateful for this long, true and useful Christian life. May God bless her memory and the dear ones who mourn their loss.

N. G. Newman.

Scarborough.

Brother J. W. Scarborough, died at his home near Elberon, Va., June 19, 1912., and was in his sixty-fourth year. He was a member of Union Christian Church and had been for twenty-five years. He was quiet, gentle in his character, loyal to humanity, and true to his church. He was a great sufferer, yet a hard working man. He suffered with much faith in God and greatest of patience. He was a good straight-forward Christian gentleman. He will be much missed in his community and the church of which he was a member. He had been married twice, his first wife having passed to the spiritual home several years ago. The children by his first wife are all grown and married, and are the following persons; J. L. Scarborough, Mrs. Chas. Amos, Deudron, Va., J. H. Scarborough, Mrs. O. L. Cockes, Mrs. S. M. Taylor, Emporia, Va., and Mrs. H. N. Dewell, deceased.

All these childsen have made well their lives and reflected credit upon their parents. He also leaves a wife and four little children and a host of friends to mourn their. loss The funeral services were held from the church of which he was a member, conducted by the writer his pastor.

May God sustain the widow and all the children in this so sad hour.

C. C. Jones.

Hilliard.

Mrs. Mary Hilliard, the wife of Bro. Armstead Hilliard of Warren Co., died quite suddenly Monday, June 18, 1912, at the age of 67 years. She had been a member of Mt. Auburn church for 20 years and, as many friends testified, she was a good Christian woman.

Sister Hilliard had been married 36 years and leaves three sons. One daughter, Roselle, died when quite young. The sons are J. A., T. W., and H. P. Hilliard. Her death from apoplexy was so unexpected that it was all the greater shock to her family. The husband, who survives, is almost broken-hearted over the loss of a faithful companion, yet he is confident that she is at rest.

In the absence of the deceased's pastor I conducted the funeral from Mt. Auburn on the afternoon of June 18th, and the burial was in the church cemetery. The entire family have my sympathy and prayers.

C. E. Newman.

Revell.

Little Annis Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Revell, of Wakefield, Va., was born Feb. 27, 1911. The little girl had a hard time, being sick about all the time, yet she was bright and patient to the last. She will be much missed in the home, yet we feel that her little innocent spirit has a better home with that kind and loving parent of us all. The burial services were conducted by the writer and her little body laid to rest in the Freeman cemetery. We sympathize with the sad parents and pray God's care for them.

C. C. Jones.

Brown.

Aunt Jennie Brown was born Feb. 8 1855, died May 15 1912.

In her girlhood she joined the M. E. church. Nov. 15, 1885 she became the wife of Bro. Perry Brown. In August 1886 she transferred her membership to Antioch Christian church, where she remained a faithful and loyal member until the day of her death. Aunt Jennie was a good woman, a loving wife and a true friend. She will be greatly missed by her many friends and neighbors, and especially by her church. Let us all get ready to meet her on the bright eternal shore.

I extend a pastor's sympathy to the bereaved.

G. D. Hunt.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Columbus, Ga., Letter.

On the 28th of May, I left my field of work in care of our good people here, and went for a short stay back to my home State, North Carolina. I was away for three weeks, and during my stay it was my pleasure to attend the Elon Commencement. There I met with many of my very close friends and old school mates, all of whom I was very glad indeed to see.

The Commencement exercises were unusually interesting from beginning to end, and it was a rare treat for me to be there. Being at Elon seemed almost like being at home, for the people there seem just like one large family, and when one spends a few years there and then leaves, one usually has a yearning desire to go back. My attachment for Elon is very strong, and I appreciate what Elon College has done for me now more than ever before. I am proud of our institution, and, I can rejoice with it in all of its achievement, and sorrow with it in all of its trials.

I went from Elon to Semora, N. C. to visit my mother and people and it was a real joy to me to meet with them again. As long as mother is at home, home will never be robbed of its sweetness and its attractiveness, but when she is gone it will never seem much like home again.

On the second Sunday in June I preached at my home church, the place where I was converted when I was about the age of fifteen. That day I will never forget. Little did I think then that God would ever lay it on my heart to preach the gospel that saved me, but He has and since He has honored me with that sacred calling it is my desire and prayer that I may have boldness to disclose the whole gospel in the Spirit of Christ.

After spending a few fleeting days with my mother, I then left for Columbus raching here on Tuesday night June 18th. I found my work in fair condition. Bro. John Forkner, a young Baptist minister supplied for me while I was away, and his sermons were very much enjoyed and highly appreciated by our people.

At present, our work here seems to be moving on nicely for this season of the year, but there is much room for improvement. Last Sunday, June 30th, we received one new member at our morning services, and at the evening services there were two conversions. We are grateful. God is always ready and willing to save those who are willing to be saved. "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Christ's mission in the world was to save sinners, and reader, if you are not saved, it is your fault and not Christ's. If you accept Christ, God will accept you, but if you reject Christ, God will reject you. "No man cometh unto the Father but by me." John 14:6.

W. L. Wells.

Winchester Letter.

The Winchester work is still encouraging. One new member was received the 23rd of June making a total membership of 35. All the protestant churches of the city will join in union evening services during the months of July and August.

Our Sunday School rendered a Children's Day programme, which was highly enjoyed by the large crowds present. One of the main features of the exercises was an address by Colonel James Carr Baker, a prominent Sunday school worker in this section of the state.

The following subscriptions have been received on the $8,000 indebtedness:

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We are thankful to these friends for helping us to bear the burden of debt. If out of the part you set aside for the Lord's work, you can spare a contribution every year for five years, however small it may be, we shall appreciate it if you will send your subscription to the Winchester Christian Church.

The following contributions have been received:

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Thanks for all contributions.

W. T. Walters.

July 5, 1912.

Liberty.

Our series of meetings closed Tuesday with good results, eight conversions.

Bro. Neil Rowland's service was greatly appreciated by the people here. He has done much good and we desire this man of God to return to us next year.

May God bless him during his summer services in this good State.

H. F. Wolfe.

Oak Level.

The services at Oak Level last Saturday and Sunday were very pleasant. It is one of the best communities with which I have had any experience. The congregation was larger than usual, and all seemed to have the spirit of good attention.

Since my appointment in June, sister Joe Fuller has gone to the spirit land, her husband having preceded her some years ago. They were both faithful members of Oak Level.

Youngsville.

I preached at Youngsville Sunday night. As I pass through Youngsville going to and from Oak Level, I come in

contact with many of the people of that nice town. They are always very kind and thoughtful to me. I heard many kind words said of Dr. W. S. Long, pastor of the Christian Church.

W. G. Clements.

Greenville, Ohio.

I have not time for a letter. Just a bit of news from the First Christian Church, Greenville, Ohio. Seventy-nine members received into church fellowship thus far during the Conference year. Forty-two received yesterday, thirty-five at morning service, and seven at evening service. While I was receiving members yesterday morning two young men came forward confessing Christ and joined the church. A visitor from another city who worshipped with us yesterday came to me after service and said, "I am glad I dropped in here this morning. I never saw anything like this." It was a great day.

Our Sunday school in all departments numbers 445. Christian Endeavor Society organized. I am profoundly thankful to God. P. H. Fleming.

Liberty.

The Sun readers would like to hear of the good meeting which is in progress in this town.

The Lord has greatly blessed us through Rev. Neil Rowland's strong spiritual sermons. The church has been wonderfully revived, six conversions, and several manifestations. Bro. Rowland is doing wonderful preaching. We are hoping for greater results before the meeting closes.

While here in Liberty Dr. W. C. Wicker preached at the M. P. church.

We all enjoyed hearing him and invite him to preach for us again.

H. F. Wolfe.

Gifts for Chapel Hill Church.

It was my pleasure, Sunday, June 30th, to listen to Bro. Kendall preach an excellent sermon in the Burlington Christian Church. He is a good preacher, much beloved by his congergation.

The church and congregation did nicely by the Chapel Hill church, for which we thank them kindly. My short stay amon them was as pleasant as any preacher ought to have.

Sunday night I preached in the Graham Christian Church and received a nice uplift for Chapel Hill, for which the people there have the gratitude of many hearts. It was a great pleasure to meet these dear brethren and sisters and worship with them.

It seems to be a pleasure to the churches to give to Chapel Hill Church, and some of these days, by the help of the Master, you will see a church there for which all will be thankful. Friends, continue to pray for and give to Chapel Hill, please. W. G. Clements.

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N. G. Newman.

NOTICE!

All ministers, delegates and visitors expecting to attend the Western North Carolina Young People's Convention, at Pleasant Hill church July, 26-28, 1912, will please notify Bro. John Murchison, Liberty N. C. R. F. D. No. 3, stating whether you will come on train or by private conveyance. Those coming by rail wil get off at Liberty, N. C. where you will be met and conveyed to the church, provided you come Friday July 26, 1912.

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